Arkansas

December Hog And Pig Report

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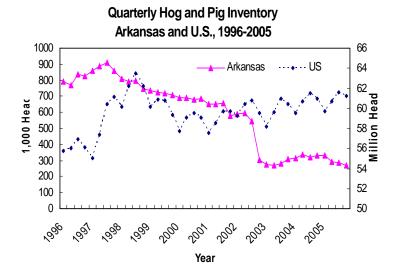
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This report contains the results from the *Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Survey, conducted during the first half of December 2005*. The data are also posted on our web site at the Internet address above, and in more detailed U.S. statistics at http://www.usda.gov/nass/. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for the surveys.

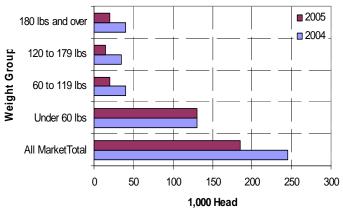
December 1 Hog Inventory Down 8 Percent

Arkansas inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2005, totaled 270,000 head, down 8 percent from December 1, 2004. Breeding hog inventory, at 85,000 head, was unchanged, and market hog inventory, at 185,000 head, was down down 24 percent from a year earlier. For the September-November 2005 quarter, the pig crop totaled 398,000 head, down

December 1 Hog and Pig Inventory, 2004-2005, Arkansas and U.S.										
		Arkansas		United States						
Item	2004	2005	% Chg.	2004	2005	%Chg.				
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent				
All Hogs and Pigs	330	270	-8	60,975	61,197	0				
Breeding	85	85	0	5,969	6,011	+1				
Market	245	185	-24	55,005	55,186	0				
Market Hogs & Pigs by Weight Groups:										
Under 60 pounds	130	130	0	19,980	19,955	0				
60-119 Pounds	40	20	-50	13,439	13,552	+1				
120-179 Pounds	35	15	-57	11,186	11,266	+1				
180 Pounds and Over	40	20	-50	10,401	10,414	0				



Market Hog Inventory by Weight Group Arkansas, December 1, 2004-2005



Sows Farrowing, Pigs Per Litter And Pig Crop, 2004-2005 By Quarter And Annual, And Intentions For 2006, Arkansas Aand U.S.

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			Intent 2006 ¹	%Chg 2004-05			Intent. 2006 ¹	%Chg. 2004-	
Item/Period	2004	2005			2004	2005		05	
SOWS FARROWING:	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head			Percent		
1 st Qtr. Dec – Feb ²	38	43	42	+13	2,836	2,835	2,877	0	
2 nd Qtr. Mar - May	41	42	41	+2	2,870	2,882	2,890	0	
3 rd Qtr. Jun - Aug	43	43	-	0	2,905	2,899	1	0	
4 th Qtr. Sep - Nov	42	41	-	-2	2,888	2,888	1	0	
Annual (Dec-Nov ^{2 3})	164	169	-	+3	11,498	11,504	1	0	
PIGS PER LITTER:	Не	Head		Percent	Head			Percent	
1 st Qtr. Dec – Feb ²	9.60	9.55	-	0	8.85	8.94	ı	+1	
2 nd Qtr. Mar – May	9.70	9.70	-	0	8.93	9.02	-	+1	
3 rd Qtr. Jun - Aug	9.40	9.60	-	+2	9.01	9.06	1	+1	
4 th Qtr. Sep - Nov	9.50	9.70	-	+2	8.96	9.03	-	+1	
ANNUAL (Dec-Nov ²⁾	9.55	9.64	-	+1	8.94	9.01	1	+1	
PIG CROP ⁴:	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head			Percent		
1 st Qtr. Dec – Feb ²	365	411	-	+13	25,105	25,343	-	+1	
2 nd Qtr. Mar- May	398	407	-	+2	25,633	25,986	-	+1	
3 rd Qtr. Jun - Aug	404	413	-	+2	26,162	26,276	-	0	
4 Th Qtr. Sep - Nov	399	398	-	0	25,881	26,080	-	1	
ANNUAL (Dec-Nov ²³	1,566	1,629	-	+4	102,780	103,685	-	1	